

The Newport Musical Arts Association requests that the FCC acknowledge the need to issue temporary measures to assist LPFM stations comply with the mandatory EAS requirement. LPFM stations are required to operate with "decode-only" EAS units, however there are no such units currently available for commercial purchase.

The Newport Musical Arts Association pledges to monitor the main EAS station for Rhode Island (Lite 105.1 fm) and shutdown our transmitter in the event of a national emergency/ EAS alert. We have been in contact with the FCC (Bonnie Gay) and understand that these comments are now entered into the official record for our protection. We will await further instructions from the FCC on this important issue. Contact: Steve Cerilli c/o The Newport Musical Arts Association 401-847-1955